

P. S. Show a Go. Row this & that he would feel scandalized if want to do. Don't but you can make it out. He has gone home. It is now near C. O. C. - H. J.

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My dear Son:

I have just wired you-"Bennett referred letter to me. I accept proposition made to him. Will write you fully. Mamma better again. Telegraph here until tenth. Eagle now!"-and now write you in accordance therewith, although I cannot say exactly the day when I shall leave here.

Bennett brought me your letter with the statement that so far as he understood it, if he should take one half of the 4000. it would leave him in the minority, whereas his idea was that he and I should go in together and control the enterprise; and this proposition of his also made at the time when Mr. Myers had stated that the amount of money which would be needed would not exceed \$1500.; and that this was the amount which he understood would be necessary to be furnished by the two of us. From your opinion and description of the property he says that he would like to go into the matter, but that he would need under your estimate, to secure the assistance of some one else in the way of capital. I do not know if when you offered him one half of the 3000., or possibly 4000. you were expecting me to stand good for the other, as I do not know how far you were in receipt of late letters from me at that time. It seems to me that you are to a certain extent, committed to, in reputation at least, by the bond which you have taken, and I have therefore telegraphed you as I have done. In case you have some one in California to take the other

one half this would make you all right and if you have not, I will endeavor to help you make it up and Bennett can come in as far as he is able, as the control will then be in our hands. I am sure that he is sincere in his proposition, but it was based on Myers' estimate of 1500. and Bennett expected to limit his investment to one half of that, if not one third. *I do not know if he got his third 500. for Edna yet or not.* I shall expect to receive a telegram from you within a day or two and will then write you further.

I have ticked off as used, check for \$500., January 15th-1894; and sent Whitworth a check for \$475. *27th Feb.* I enclose herewith another check for Mr. Whitworth for \$475. which you can hand him whenever you need additional money for Mammouth. I will probably telegraph you of my time of leaving before this reaches you. *(But I may not be sure for much the fore March 1st)*

Your Mother had quite a severe ~~attack~~ gastric and bowel attack which completely prostrated her, but I left her quite bright and expecting to go West with me within a very short time. It is astonishing how many things turn up to delay my leaving. I have just completed arrangements *after* a series of investigations, for a larger dynamo to be sent to Tombstone from Indianapolis, and Eltonhead is to leave here this week for Tombstone via Indianapolis and Chicago. He asserts that it is impossible that he should need any further equipment in order to insure his full success. He must succeed *now* or I shall lay the thing down; *as far as he is concerned*

All are as well as usual with the exception of Edna; she lost her little boy within an hour after its birth, but is getting along nicely herself and is quite cheerful despite the great disappointment to Joe and herself. *I saw them last night and expect to stay with Ed. to night.*

We have just had a touch of real winter, thermometer at ten degrees on the south side of the house at "Old Farm" yesterday morning.

I shall not make any financial provision on Bangor proposition beyond pledging myself to the extent of which you are already advised until I see you, unless I receive letter or telegram requiring it before I reach San Francisco. Our stay at Tombstone on the way out will be very short as we shall return that way: *thru via St. Louis.*

It seems a long time since I have heard from you, your last letter to me being from Old Diggings, 16th ult. That of the 23rd to Bennett was a satisfaction showing that you were safely "across the river" and in San Francisco where I trust you have been gathering both pleasure and profit from the Mid-winter Exhibition.

Only yesterday completed the negoti-
ations with the Empire Co. so as to
be able to mail copy of the contract to
Mr. Stanton. I may need to see the Di-
rectors of the Co. once more in Boston.
Yesterday rec'd the following telegram from J.
"January expenses \$5,900. and probable returns
6,600. Indications are favorable for a
small crop in February". I think how-
ever that we may be able to avoid the latter.
All business matters here are extremely dull
but people are beginning to talk of a
gold mine boom in the Spring, summer
fall. I believe it will come pure. I am
Your aff. father, W. J. Mayney